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MEMORANDUM NO: JOINT OCO/OPC COMMUNICATIONS BOARD  
FROM : Chief, Communications Division  
SUBJECT : Status Report on Implementation of  
Overseas Communications Plan

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1. The Overseas Communications Plan as approved 25 April 1950 by the DCI, called for a three year buildup of a CIA communications network to serve Agency needs. In this plan, under all phases, were ten class A radio stations to be built at the following approximate locations:

2. Washington, D. C.

25X1A



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A. Of the radio stations listed above, Washington, D. C., [redacted] are completed and in active operation.

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25X1A B. A communications radio network exists in [redacted] and is supporting operations by the use of small radio stations at [redacted] 25X1A [redacted]. Authorization to construct a major radio base [redacted] has been received. It is anticipated that active steps to initiate actual construction will take place approximately 1 February 1951, when a representative of the Communications Division Engineering Branch will depart for the site.

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C. A class AM radio base is located in the [redacted] and the permanent station is under active construction. No estimated date of completion can be given at this time.

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D. In the [redacted] area, a communications base is being planned for [redacted]. Negotiations for this base were delayed due to conflicting [redacted] and CIA requirements which are now reconciled. A meeting was held on 21 December 1950 at which [redacted] and CIA [redacted] presentation consolidated their station requirements prior to [redacted] presentation of the problem to the Department of State for negotiation with the Government of [redacted] 25X1C [redacted] on 5 January 1951 transmitted the 25XC [redacted] consolidated communications requirements to the Department of State and stated that the parties concerned considered the problem as urgent. At this date no further word has been received as to the status of the negotiations being conducted by the Department of State.

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